

PRE-LAW STUDIES PROGRAM

ESSENTIAL SKILLS

Choice of 2 courses from this group:

<u>Department</u>	<u>Course Name</u>
English	Writing Nonfic. Prose
Legal Studies	Legal Research
Classics	Eng.Voc/Classical Roots
Speech & Theater	Public Speaking
Linguistics	Language of the Law

Choice of 2 courses from this group:

Philosophy/Rlgn.	Logic
	Crit. Reas. & Argument
Math/Computer	Statistics
Science	Mathematical Reasoning & Legal Prob. Analysis
Speech & Theater	Argumentation & Debate

BACKGROUND COURSES

Choice of 1 course from designated courses offered by the departments of History, Political Science, and Philosophy/ Religion.

Choice of 1 course from designated courses offered by the departments of Business Education, Economics and Accounting, Law and Taxation.

TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS FOR THE PROGRAM=18

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PARALEGAL STUDIES PROGRAM

GENERAL LAW PRACTICE

Introduction to Paralegalism
Fundamentals of Legal Research
Civil Litigation
Seminar and Internship in Law
Optional Internship in Coop. Ed.

Choice of 2 legal specialty courses.

Choice of 2 legally-related courses.

TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS FOR THE PROGRAM=24

In addition to General Law Practice, there are three possible paralegal specializations: Trademark and Copyright Law, Patent Law and Hispanic Specialization.



E.O.F. Legal Studies
Skill Development Program
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The E.O.F. LEGAL STUDIES SKILL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM at Montclair State College was established to provide expanded opportunities for educationally and financially disadvantaged students seeking careers in the legal field. The program will achieve this goal utilizing a balance of formal coursework, tutorial opportunities, and field experiences, encompassing both remediation and skill development. Successful completion of the program is designed to place the student in a highly competitive position for legal and/or paralegal career opportunities.

The E.O.F. Legal Studies Skill Development Program was developed in close cooperation with the CENTER FOR LEGAL STUDIES AT MONTCLAIR STATE COLLEGE. Located within the College's School of Humanities and Social Sciences, the programs of the Center for Legal Studies afford students the dual possibilities of an applied career in law as a paralegal or preparation for an ultimate career as an attorney. Both the PARALEGAL and PRE-LAW Programs are minors which may be combined with many diverse majors on campus.

Montclair State College is a publicly supported institution of higher education, fully accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, located in a suburban community fourteen miles from midtown Manhattan.

The PRE-LAW STUDIES MINOR at Montclair State College is an interdisciplinary program designed to enhance the preparation of students planning to seek admission to law school by promoting the development of analytical and critical writing, reading, and thinking. While, law schools readily acknowledge that no single area of preparation is the key to a successful career in law, these abilities are considered to be particularly important.

An increasing number of attorneys throughout the country are recognizing the advantages of PARALEGALS. Recent Department of Labor statistics show that the paralegal profession is expected to experience the second largest percentage growth of 340 employment categories for the period 1978 to 1990. The LEGAL ASSISTANT can accomplish many tasks traditionally performed by the attorney, with the exception of giving legal advice, appearing in court, or setting fees. THE Montclair State College PARALEGAL STUDIES PROGRAM is the first and only program at a four-year college in the State of New Jersey to receive AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION PROGRAM APPROVAL. A CERTIFICATE OF PARALEGAL STUDIES is awarded to all students who fulfill the 24 credit hours required in the Program and who have completed a minimum of two years of college study.

A grant from the Prudential Foundation has made possible a special class in Fundamentals of Legal Research featuring small-group instruction and individualized tutorials. The grant has also funded the purchase of computer equipment to assist E.O.F. students in preparing for the L.S.A.T.

FACULTY who teach in the Montclair State College Paralegal and Pre-Law Studies Program are all experts in their fields, and have excellent academic and professional credentials. In accordance with the guidelines established by the American Bar Association, all legal specialty courses within the Paralegal Studies Program are taught by practicing attorneys. Special lecturers' stipends which facilitate the hiring and retention of top-quality faculty have been made possible through a grant from the Schering-Plough Corporation.

The Legal Studies Skill Development Program is open only to E.O.F.-eligible students. To request a determination of your E.O.F. eligibility, please mark the appropriate box on your Montclair State College admissions application.

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